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Remarks/Arguments

The substitute claims add features of claims prior 4, 12, and 15 into claim 1. Additionally, claim 1 has been amended to indicate that the front pouch wall is sealed to said rear pouch wall "by a uniform width sealed band extending along the entirety of each of said opposite side edges". The quoted phrase finds support at paragraph 10, lines 1 to 3 (which references the bands) and by figures 3 and 8 to 15 (which show such bands). Further, this feature is suggested by original claim 4 (in reciting the pouch walls are sealed *along* the side edges).

Prior claims 4, 12, 15, and 17 have been deleted.

New method claims 18 to 21 have been added. New claim 18 finds support at paragraphs 18 and 19 of the disclosure and in original claims 12 and 15. New claims 19 to 21 find support at this paragraph and in, for example, original claims 1 and 7.

Early favourable consideration of this application is earnestly solicited.

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